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SOUTH CHINA BATTLE ENTERS VITAL PHASE

Reds Seeking To Cut Chekiang Railway

ADVANCE ON HANGCHOW

Shanghai, April 29. A second phase of the campaign for South China was reported to be opening today with Shanghai's threatened population of 6,000,000 anxious spectators on the sidelines.

The two Communist columns that stabbed through China's political and commercial nerve centre were officially reported today to be driving South and South East on the new Nationalist defence line.

The line runs from Ningpo on the coast through Hangchow and a mountainous region in Chekiang Province to Nanchang, in Kiangsi province. Skirting the Western banks of Lake Taihu, the Communist forces that had crossed the Yangtse River a week ago from the West of Nanking, were today reported in a district not more than 25 miles North of Hangchow, the central pivot of the Nationalist defence.

Nationalist troops in strong defence positions were ready to give battle to the Communist spearheads.

Another Communist column was driving South from Soochow on the strategic road and railway junction at Kashih. It was reported to have employed great ingenuity to circumvent the Nationalist stronghold at Wujiang by embarking on Tuhu Lake in boats and landing further South.

Weiting Taken

On the Eastern flank of this Communist operation, another spearhead was moving East in the direction of Shanghai. It was officially reported to have reached Weiting, 35 miles from China's biggest metropolis and fourth city of the world.

In addition to threats to Hangchow and Shanghai, the Communist thrust at the central sector of the Nationalist defence line between Hangchow and Nanchang appeared to be making rapid progress, according to all available reports.

Three armies under Communist general Chen Kang, who last week crossed the Yangtse South of Anhui 200 miles South West of Nanking, have pushed about 100 miles across Southern Anhwei province in mountainous country.

Peace Delegates

Detained

Meanwhile the Nationalist peace mission being detained in Peiping by the Communists has sent a letter to the Government. The letter was signed by the five delegates and released in Canton by the Executive Yuan.

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Oaths And Curses Heard Over BBC

London, April 29. Britons tuned to the staid BBC were shocked to hear oaths and curses suddenly come hurtling out of the ether last night.

The occasion? A broadcast of the first dinner of the Royal Academy since the war—an event expected to be as sedate as a temporary tea.

But the diners got involved in an argument on modern art.

Retiring President Sir Alfred Munnings, 89, said modern painters were daubers who "cannot paint a tree to look like a tree." He went on to make slighting cracks about French modernists Pablo Picasso and Henri Matisse.

"Outraged" supporters of the modern painters shouted, banged

BRITAIN WANTS TO BE FRIENDLY

London, April 29. Britain is going to establish friendly relations with the Chinese Communist government, a Foreign Office spokesman said today.

He said such contact with the Chinese Communists will not affect Britain's present relations with the Nationalist Government, although the Foreign Office in London does not know where the Kuomintang is at the moment.

He was asked by a reporter at a daily news conference whether Britain thought "the Chinese Nationalist Government has for all practical purposes ceased to exist."

To this he replied: "I would make no pronouncement on that question."

Diplomatic observers, meanwhile, speculated that his statements suggest Britain may soon give de facto recognition to Mao Tse-tung's Communist government as the only effective authority in most of troubled China.—Associated Press.

More Chinese As Unofficials

Mr. Landale's proposal for a reconstituted legislature with an unofficial majority was endorsed by Mr. Ko Cheuk-hung, Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, at its committee meeting yesterday.

Addressing members of the committee, Mr. Ko said the proposal for wider unofficial representation on the Legislative Council was welcomed by the Chinese mercantile community, but he insisted that the majority of the unofficials should be Chinese by reason of which they objected.

Meanwhile the Garrison Command announced new regulations on news items on the war situation. All war news would in future be released by the Command through the medium of the Central News Agency.

Violations of the above ruling by publishing war news other than that provided through the official channels would be dealt with in accordance with martial law.—Reuter.

According to military observers, the only thing certain is that the main striking force of General Chen Ya's armies is ignoring the wealthy price and marching marching 60 miles West of the sprawling metropolis. Only a small force was said to be creeping close to Shanghai's Western outskirts.

Garrison officials are emphatic that it will not collapse as a result of the evacuation of its defending troops at Nanjing six days ago.

The initial shock of a Communist threat almost stopped the commercial heart beat of the famous Far Eastern metropolis but businessmen say that in this week's uncertain period that has followed the last few days, the pulse of Shanghai's commerce has revived weakly.

If the city is bypassed, financial circles say that providing injections of American ECA aid continue, the process of resuscitation may go on indefinitely. Even the money market showed slight recovery.

The American-owned "Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury" today said that Lloyd's insurance group has doubled the rates for marine and war risks insurance in China.

Latest War News

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Thousands At Quezon Funeral

Manila, April 29. An estimated 100,000 today lined the three-mile route from Santo Tomas to the cemetery for the Quezon State funeral in which President Quirino broke official tradition by serving as pallbearer for a private citizen.

After a 20-minute solemn ritual at the Holy Rosary Church where thousands were forced to stand at the university grounds until the procession moved slowly up Rizal Avenue and other main streets. It took two hours to reach the cemetery.

The roads leading to the cemetery were jammed for hours ahead. Several prominent Americans attended and General MacArthur sent Major Michael Michaelis as his personal representative.

The police struggled to control the crowd. Many persons were perched on trees and tombstones.

Monsignor Rufino Santos, Bishop of Manila, conducted the service at dusk. Mrs. Quezon's coffin, draped with the Philippine flag, was placed in the mausoleum next to her husband's. Her daughter and son-in-law were buried nearby.

President Quirino wept as the MacArthur band played "Near My God to Thee."—United Press.

ECA Moves To Canton

The Economic Co-operation Administration are transferring their Headquarters from Shanghai to Canton.

Twenty of their personnel are already in Canton.

The remaining ones including 37 Americans and 27 Chinese are expected today in Hong Kong on a US destroyer escort.

They will board the Fatshan tonight for Canton.

CHINESE ADMIRAL COMING TO HK

Canton, April 29. Vice-Admiral Sir Andrew Chan Chuk, Deputy Director of the Canton Pacification Headquarters, left for Hong Kong yesterday reportedly to seek closer co-operation between Hong Kong and Canton on matters of common interest. Admiral Chan was in Hong Kong just before Pearl Harbour and assisted in the defence of the British colony.—AP.

THE WEATHER

At 0600 GMT (8 p.m. HKST) an anti-tropical cyclone over Korea is moving E. It is followed by a trough connecting depressions over S. China and N. Manchuria.

Today's Forecast: Light SW. wind.

Yesterday's Weather:

Maximum: 82 deg. Fah.

Minimum: 73.8 deg. Fah.

Rainfall: 8.8 mm.

Wind: N.E. 8.8 m.p.h.

Clouds: 80%.

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Church Service For Naval Dead

An impressive service in memory of those who recently lost their lives in the Yangtze River was held at St. John's Cathedral yesterday morning.

Leading the capacity congregation of civilians and officers and other ranks of representative units of the Army, Air Force and Navy, were His Excellency, Sir Alexander Grantham, Lady Grantham, Major-General F. R. G. Matthews, Lady Matthews and Commodore C. L. Robertson.

To the strains of music from the band of The Buffs, the service began with the singing of the National Anthem.

This was followed by the hymn "O God, Our Help in Ages Past," a reading of Scripture, and the congregation saying Psalm 130.

The Scripture lesson, taken from Revelations Chapter 21, Verses 1-7, was read by the Commodore.

In a short address, the Dean, the Reverend A. P. Rose said:

"We are here to remember before God the officers and men of the Royal Navy who lost their lives in the recent shelling of His Majesty's ships on the Yangtze. This is not an occasion for comment but for prayer. It is an occasion which is fittingly marked by coming in prayer to God, the Ruler of the Universe, the Judge of all men and the lover of men's souls."

"As we pray, we shall remember that this life is but a preparation and a testing ground for another and better life which God has prepared for us. We have the great hope of the Resurrection. This life is uncertain; and we do not know when the gentle angel of death may come amid man's violence to lead us into the presence of our heavenly Father, and our righteous Judge."

Unselfish Sacrifice

"We shall therefore pray and seek above all things that the inmates of our lives may be acceptable to him. The kind of unselfish sacrifice, such as cheerful obedience to duty demands, is well pleasing to God. It is the rock upon which the world is built. It is the way which God chose through Jesus Christ to save mankind."

"We shall pray that families and friends may receive God's word of comfort and find peace."

"And lastly, because God is the Father of all men, and in his presence all men are one family, we shall remember before him the Chinese who have been killed in the Civil war, who are now dying, and must still die in peace and order come to China."

"We shall pray that God will grant to us, and to China and all men peace, that he will put in the hearts of all men the spirit of justice, mercy, and true religion, which is the spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ; that we all in our different works and vocations may be makers of peace."

After prayers had been offered by the Reverend C. Davies, Royal Navy, and the Reverend F. J. Sandbach of the Methodist Church, and another hymn, the service concluded with the sounding of "The Last Post" and "Reveille."

Others who officiated at the service were the Reverend J. H. Ogilvie, Reverend I. E. Morris, Reverend Swaine (RAF) and Reverend F. W. Wehver (Navy).

PORT HEALTH OFFICE NOTICE

The Port Health Office, Inoculation Centres at the Fire Brigade Building and Marine Building are for the use of passengers who need International Certificates of Inoculation and vaccination.

Crews of ships and planes requiring vaccinations and inoculations must proceed to the Tsim Sha Tsui Inoculation Centre, Nathan Road (Old Central British School Building). This centre will open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. daily as from tomorrow.

Reminders

Today

Lawn Bowls, friendly matches CCO, Taikoo RC, ITC, PRC, Filpino Club, and KCC.

League soccer matches, First and Second Divisions.

HK Stage Club presents "Twelfth Night" China Fleet Club, 1 p.m.

Ladies' Recreation Club, opening of new swimming pool, 3.30 p.m.

United Services Reception Club, monthly dance.

HK Land Force vs. King George V School, athletic sports meeting, School ground.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

HK Art Club Sketching Party, members to assemble at Jordan Road Vehicular Ferry Wharf, Kowloon, 2.30 p.m. (members with ears to assist with transport)

Classical Concert, Toc II Club, Talbot House, 30 Macdonnel Road, 8.30 p.m.

MONDAY

Whist Drive, European YMCA, 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

HK Rotary Club, luncheon, Talk "Hong Kong—1949" by Lieutenant-Colonel Mitchell, 12.30 p.m.

Bridge Drive, European YMCA, 8 p.m.

Wednesday

Departures for Singapore yesterday by BOAC included Mr. and Mrs. C. Carrithers, Mr. and Mrs. W. Schoening, Mrs. L. E. Hamond-Chamberlain, Messrs. A. R. Pratt, P. Williams, and D. C. Van Tol.

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Among the departures for Yokohama yesterday by BOAC were Mr. and Mrs. Bristol, Miss D. Watling, Miss G. W. Paton, Mrs. Tom She-chin, Messrs. J. E. Nixon, P. Guineas, K. T. Pasby, D. G. Ponte, A. E. Munro and F. Hare.

Mr. O. Handburgh left for Rangoon yesterday by BOAC.

Messrs. Ang Cheung, Lim Gaoh, Sun Lin, Ramon Ortega, and Lee Kang left for Manila yesterday by CPA.

Lieutenant-Colonel E. J. R. Mitchell will address the Hong Kong Rotary Club on Tuesday at the Roof Garden, Hong Kong Hotel, on "Hong Kong—1949."

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Christian, Miles M. A. Smith and Mrs. J. L. Main arrived in the Colony yesterday from Foochow by the ss. Yochow.

Arrivals from Shanghai yesterday by Hong Kong Airways included Messrs. S. C. Wong, Tse Ping-wu, F. Liu, A. H. Falconer, P. M. Parlant, C. C. Woo, W. Koo, J. McClean and Mrs. E. P. Sydney-Smith.

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Verdict--Chinese Woman Kills Self

Li Pun, alias Karen Li, aged 28, of 25 Lock Street, ground floor, committed suicide while the balance of her mind was disturbed by jumping from the second floor of the Peninsula Hotel on April 18.

A verdict to this effect was returned by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr, sitting as Coroner, at an inquest in Kowloon yesterday. The Coroner added that there was no evidence that anybody was in any way responsible for her death.

Dr. R. E. Alvares, in evidence, said that deceased was not a virgin, and there was no evidence of pregnancy. Her urine contained a certain percentage of alcohol. Cause of death was internal haemorrhage and shock resulting from multiple fractures and injuries to the lung and liver. Deceased's appearance was consistent with a jump from a height.

Sub-Inspector P. C. Cheah said that on the night of April 18, he was walking along the West side of Hankow Road when, about 10 yards from the junction of Middle Road, he saw a black mass falling from the Peninsula Hotel. He saw that it was a woman who was seriously injured. An ambulance was summoned but on arrival at the hospital, the woman was dead. Mr. L. R. Wood of Room 402, YMCA, said that as he was closing the bathroom window, he heard something strike the ground. He had the feeling that it was a body. This suspicion was later confirmed on the arrival of the ambulance.

Mg. Tai-chi, night attendant on the second floor of the Peninsula Hotel, said that he had seen deceased previously. On the night in question, he did not hear any disturbance or noise from Room 314.

Joseph Hedaya, aged 28, director of the Cathay Mercantile Limited, said that he had been in the Colony for about nine months. Deceased was introduced to him by a girl friend at a party in Room 314 on April 10. Deceased visited him several times. On the night of April 18, deceased came to his room, and they had dinner together. They had two or three drinks of whisky. She took a bath and after that, intimacy took place.

Her Mother

"Deceased said that she wanted to live with me," continued Hedaya, "but I told her it could not be done. She then said that she would not see me again; she told me about her mother whom she had not seen for 17 years in Shanghai."

Deceased made a phone call and while she was phoning, she cried but not violently. After the phone call, deceased got up and walked to the window. Both her legs were in the room when he rushed to her but he was too late and she tumbled over. He reported to the Reception check.

"She never had threatened in my presence to take her life, but I believe that she must have had years of unhappiness to cause her to end like this," said Hedaya.

Li Wan-ho, aged 50, father of deceased, said that deceased lived with him, and obtained her living by teaching English and Chinese to pupils at their home. She was married to a Chinese Air Force officer who was killed in action. She had two daughters, who were under the care of her mother-in-law.

Some months ago, deceased was in financial difficulties, and her father gave her money, several times. On April 19, the family went to the Kowloon Public Mortuary, and identified the body. When asked by the Coroner why deceased committed suicide, the father said that he could not give an explanation.

Li Wan-ling, younger brother of deceased, said that deceased was kidnapped. When she was nine years old, he met her again in Hong Kong about two years ago.

Evidence was then given by deceased's friends, Michael Chan, Miss Lulu Chi, and Miss Susie Chan.

Deceased Sub-Inspector J. H. Den conducted the inquiry.

FUNERAL OF MRS. LUZ

The funeral of Mrs. Josefina (Fina) Gutierrez da Luz, aged 64, took place in Macao on Wednesday.

Formerly of Shanghai, she died following a prolonged illness at San Rafael Hospital. She is survived by her son Mr. Jose Gutierrez da Luz, employee in Dowdell and Company, married, two daughters, Maria Teresa and Margarida Gutierrez da Luz, daughter-in-law, Mrs. Patricia Castro da Luz, and a sister at present in Shanghai, Mrs. Maria Jose (Maja) Gutierrez Lubeck. Relatives and friends attended the funeral.

Wreaths were sent by Pat and Joe Teresa Xia, Messrs. P. Yip, T. Costa, and others.

AUCTION SALE OF CROWN LAND

An auction sale of Crown Land will be held at PWD Headquarters on Saturday, May 1, 1949. The area, situated in the Kowloon area, consists of 1,000 square feet of land situated at Kowloon. Entry fees are suitable for residential purposes.

HANDWRITING EXPERT GIVES EVIDENCE

Signatures on four burial notifications presented at Central yesterday were testified to by Sub-Inspector A. Morrison, Police handwriting expert, as being a similar name but coming from two different hands.

Mr. Morrison was a prosecution witness in the case being heard before Mr. Hin-shing Lo in which Clementino Mario Almario is charged with forging a burial notification for Yeung Yung, the signature purporting to come from the authorised hand of Sister Ambrose of St. Paul's Hospital.

Defendant is additionally charged with obtaining \$200 from Lau Leung under false pretences, by pretending that a non-Catholic could be buried in the Roman Catholic Cemetery.

A second defendant in the case is Margaret Tee, wife of Almario, sexton of the Roman Catholic Cemetery. She is charged with aiding and abetting in the forgery.

Detective Sub-Inspector M.J.G. Saul is prosecuting.

Father Alfred Feroldi stated that upon information received he approached Sister Ambrose with one of the notification exhibits and asked if the signature was hers.

Sister Ambrose, the priest continued, replied that it was not, whereupon he asked her for a specimen signature, which was contained in one of the exhibits displayed in court.

Sub-Inspector Morrison stated that the signatures in the exhibited notification were of different characteristics, one being an attempt to simulate the other.

Comparing the handwriting of the details written in the notification forms, Mr. Morrison said that they were in the same hand as that in which the Register was written, and he went on to give the age and name of the deceased written in the register, which, based on his opinion, compared with that of the writing in the burial notification.

Cross-examined by Mr. A. E. Arculli, defending Almario and his wife, Inspector Morrison stated that he had had nine years experience in handwriting identification work and was accepted as an expert both in the courts of Scotland as well as in the Colony.

Further questioned, Mr. Morrison stated that he had studied and was still studying by himself. "I do not know of any colleges devoted to the study of handwriting identification," he added.

Expert Evidence

Mr. Arculli: "You have given expert evidence in the Supreme Court?"

Mr. Morrison: "I have."

You will agree that handwriting experts are not infallible—Handwriting experts are not infallible.

Two Children Injured

A traffic mishap occurred just outside the Wanchai Market at 11:30 a.m. yesterday, when a lorry accidentally backed into two children, driving one of them seriously and the other slightly.

According to reports, Lorry No. 6110 stopped at the curb, after which the driver reversed gear. He however did not notice a woman and two children who were some distance behind the lorry, having their meal just off the sidewalk, with the result that he inadvertently backed his lorry into them.

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British Wounded Here Tomorrow

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The wounded brought to Shanghai were transferred to the United States hospital ship, Repulse. The Repulse is due here from Shanghai tomorrow.

GOLD BAN SAID ILL ADVISED

A most incongruous position has arisen as a result of the ill-advised order issued in Hong Kong prohibiting dealing in and possession of gold. So states the current issue of the "Far Eastern Economic Review" in a fresh comment on the subject.

Nothing concrete, it added, can be achieved here by the gold ban. The British Treasury and the importing International Monetary Fund should have properly appraised the situation here and taken a long look at the map showing Hong Kong in its geographic relation to the neighbouring countries before requesting the Hong Kong Government to institute the ban.

The "Review" stated that regulation here has been so unfavourable that the best course now appears to be to reopen the ban on gold possession while maintaining the prohibition on gold dealings.

At the same time the prohibition on printing and publishing of information on gold transactions must be rescinded as such an order is, to all newspapers in democratic countries, very repugnant, added the "Review".

The weekly publication added that while it is now suddenly prohibited to buy and sell gold freely and to own gold in Hong Kong there exist legally free and official gold markets in China, Macao, Philippines, Siam, Burma, Korea, while unofficial markets operate freely in Indo-China and Indonesia.

Black Market

Only in Malaya there exists a so-called black market which, nevertheless, is very active and does not suffer from persecution by the authorities who realise that they have to deal with Malays, Chinese and Indians and that their ideas cannot be changed by using force. Even in occupied Japan there operate gold markets which have not been suppressed by the Japanese Government as SCAP "suggestions" do not concern themselves with this business.

Within the Commonwealth there are a number of free gold markets operating; Indian gold exchanges are legal institutions and in Pakistan there are also official gold markets. The possession of gold in these two Dominions is, of course, legally protected but the import of gold, against US\$, is restricted.

In the Union of South Africa free gold markets do business although in deference to the IMF one talks there of semi-processed and 22 carat gold.

In the Union, the world's greatest producer (monthly average almost 1,000,000 ounces fine), there is very strong feeling about the fact that the country is compelled, by rules laid down by the IMF, to sell its biggest single export item at a sacrifice price of US\$35 an ounce the buyers being always the United States.

MR. MACDONALD ENDS HK VISIT

The Honourable Malcolm Macdonald, Commissioner General for South East Asia, left Hong Kong yesterday with Mrs. Macdonald by a BOAC Flying-boat returning to Singapore.

The Commissioner General came to Hong Kong last week on an informal visit, during which he held discussions with various Government and military officials.

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and he need not necessarily agree with them.

Commonwealth Agreement

Sir.—The London decision, great and historic, by the Prime Ministers of eight countries, including India, that they will remain united as free and equal members, in the pursuit of peace, liberty and progress, will be welcomed by all peace-loving peoples of the world.

The eight premiers in general and Premier Attlee of Britain, and Premier Nehru of India, in particular, deserve to be congratulated for producing an agreed solution enabling India to continue to be linked with Great Britain and her partners of the Commonwealth. India, to be declared in the very near future, by the will of her own people, expressed through its chosen representatives under its new constitution, now being framed in India, as the "Sovereign Independent Republic," true to her high ideal of peace for the whole world—an ideal bequeathed to it by the Father of the Nation, late Mahatma Gandhi now finds it possible to continue to be a "full and equal" member of the Commonwealth.

The war-weary world may now hope that the labours of the Premiers of the eight countries in London will bear fruit and will help to assure peace and prosperity to all the peoples of the world.

H. M. PARWANI

Restricted Freedom

Sir.—As it is quite clear that you are bent on giving the fullest publicity to the lies, and malicious anti-Chinese propaganda of Mr. H. G. W. Woodhead, while suppressing the views and opinions of those who seek to state the truth, I feel that the following item on Freedom of the Press, extracted from the latest issue of "The Mirror"—the publication of the Central Office of Information, London, might be of interest:

"Freedom only for the followers of the Government, only for members of one party—however numerous they may be—is not freedom. Freedom is always the freedom of those who think differently. Without general elections, without unrestricted freedom of the Press and freedom of association, without the free battles of opinions, life in every public institution must wither away; it becomes a sham life in which bureaucracy remains the only active element."

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purpose of considering and, if
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Resolution:"That the following shall be
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Secretary.Telegrams—"Entrepot"
Hong Kong, April 26, 1948.

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these also serve as a declaration. It does not
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ports must be covered by a
declaration within 72 hours of
importation, and that all ex-
ports other than those covered
by a licence must be covered
by a declaration within 48
hours of exportation. In the
case of licensed exports the
copy of the licence deposited with
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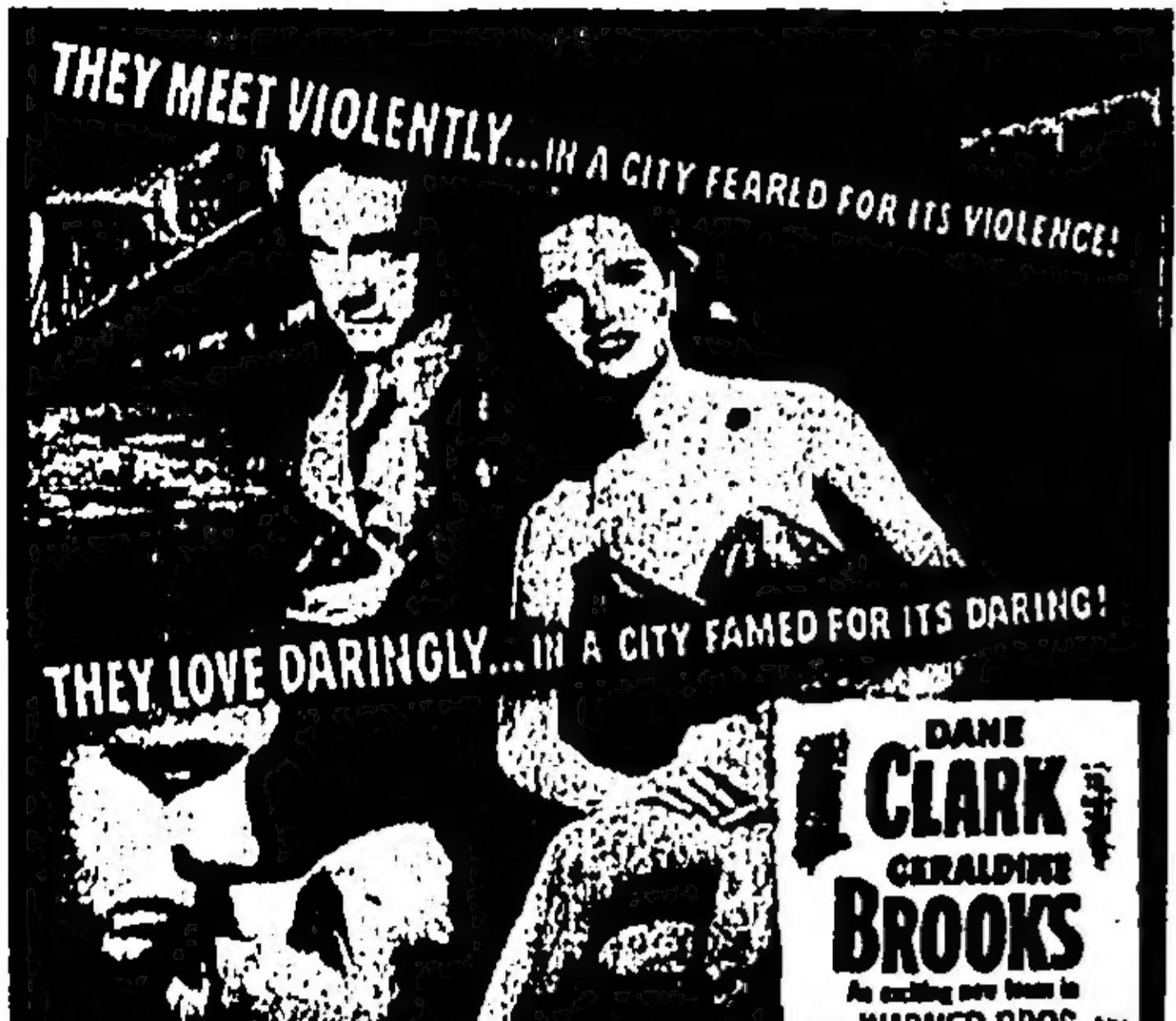
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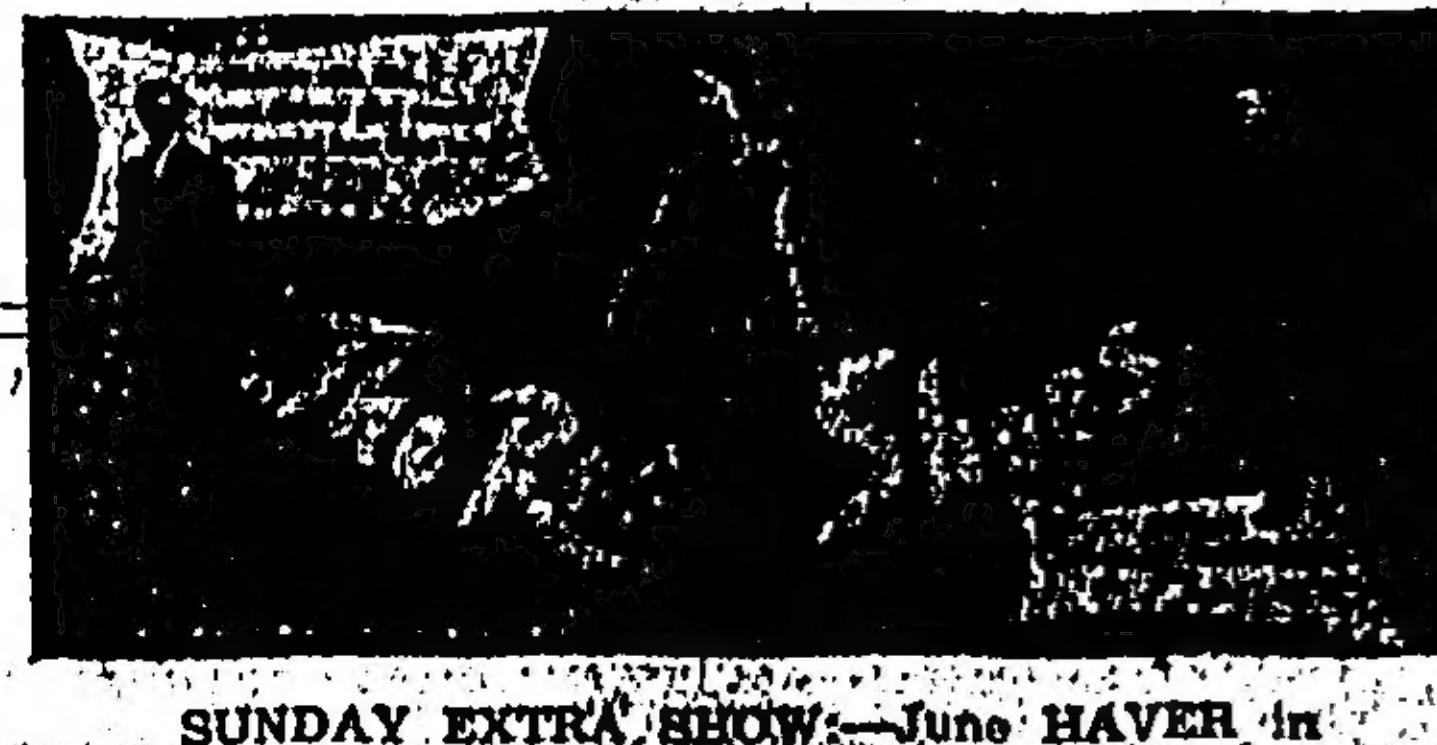
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SECURITY ZONES FOR CIVILIANS IN WAR?

THREAT MUST BE MET BY U.S.

Cleveland, April 28. The Economic Co-operation Administrator, Mr. Paul Hoffman, said today that the threat of Russian military aggression must be met by military preparedness both in the United States and in Europe.

Mr. Hoffman said: "My personal view is that the Kremlin will not march if we are well prepared. The risks of a third World War are too stupendous."

Mr. Hoffman received a brotherhood citation from the National Conference of Christians and Jews in recognition of his work with the ECA.—United Press.

RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong Broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 9.92 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band.

H.K.T.

12.30 Daily Programme Summary.

12.32 p.m.—London Studio Melodies... Gerald and His Orchestra with Vocal Solo.

1.00 p.m.—Jazz Orbit, (BBCRTS)

1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.20 p.m.—Interlude.

1.30 p.m.—From Foreign Lands.

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

6.00 p.m.—Programme Summary.

6.01 p.m.—"Unit Request," Linda Carter (BBCRTS) and Alan Clark, Repair Section.

6.15 p.m.—Variety Bandbox from the Cambridge Theatre, London. (BBCRTS)

7.15 p.m.—Peter York and His Concert Orchestra with Paula Green and Steve Conway.

8.00 p.m.—World News and News Analysis. (London Relay)

8.15 p.m.—"Saturday Round-Up". (Studio)

8.30 p.m.—"The Adventure of PC 49. A Comedy Thriller" by Alan Straker. Part 1. (BBCRTS)

9.00 p.m.—"From the Editorials." (London Relay)

9.10 p.m.—"Lifting up the Curtains" Excerpts from Prokofiev's Operas. Lydia Ritsley (Contralto), Heddle Nash (Tenor) and Arnold Matthes (Baritone). (BBCRTS)

9.55 p.m.—"I Remember..." By Frank Hulberton, No. 31, G. K. Chesterton. (BBCRTS)

10.00 p.m.—Piano Recital by Wilhelm Brückner in a Programme of the Music of Brahms and Beethoven.

10.15 p.m.—Radio News Reel. (London Relay)

10.30 p.m.—Weather Report.

10.31 p.m.—"Cabaret" and Dance Music.

11.15 p.m.—Close Down.

Geneva, April 28. Russia today declared herself in favour of all nations setting up security zones to shelter civilians who cannot fight in any future atomic war. M. Platon Morosov, Soviet delegate to the 59-nations Red Cross Conference, meeting here to revise the rules of warfare, said: "We can consider that these zones are one step forward, that they are indicative of some progress."

M. Morosov supported the initiative in a proposed treaty to protect civilians in wartime of an article reading: "In time of peace, the contracting parties and, in case of conflict, the parties thereto, shall endeavour to set up in their own territory, and, if the need arises, in occupied areas, hospital and safety zones and localities so organised as to protect from the effects of war the wounded and sick children under 15, expectant mothers, mothers of children under seven, persons over 65 and the personnel entrusted with the organisation and administration of such zones and localities, and with the care of persons assembled therein."

The Canadian delegate, Mr. Max Wensel, suggested an amendment to the article which would not make the setting up of security zones obligatory. Mr. Wensel explained that his principle that civilian populations should be protected as completely as possible from the horrors of war. "If another country set up zones, we would be prepared to negotiate to reach an agreement on the lines of the draft agreement attached to the treaty."

"Not Wise"

"It is not wise to treat governments like school children and tell them in international conventions how to protect their own populations," he added.

"We are not opposed to the idea of hospital and safety zones, but it remains to be seen whether they are feasible. The agreement seems to us to be a very good one and it should be possible for two Governments to make an agreement to respect it after war has broken out."

"We are not, however, going to sign this treaty and forget our obligations. And we cannot sign it if we have no intention of setting up this kind of zone."

Other delegations, including the United States and British, favoured the general lines of the Canadian argument.

Impractical?

The British delegation is understood to approve the principle of security zones, but to consider them impractical—at any rate in Britain.

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Prague Hands Out Rebuke To Reds

Prague, April 28.

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"Indeed, he often shares all the prejudices of his time," the weekly said.—Reuter.

Margaret Cheered In Naples

Capri, April 28.

Happy, cheering crowds lined Capri's tiny white-washed piazza today to welcome Princess Margaret for a five-day visit to their "Pearl of the Bay" of Naples.

KAREN REBELS ENCIRCLED

Rangoon, April 28,

The Karen rebels in occupation of Daikau, a railway town 78 miles North of Rangoon, are a Government communiqué encircled by Government troops, a Government communiqué said tonight.

The communiqué added that a full-scale advance on the rebels in Nyangungle, on the railway 12 miles further North, is in preparation, and that the Karen strongholds near Bagsein, in the Irrawaddy Delta, 90 miles South West of Rangoon, are under attack.

Other Government forces have taken Wananchung, 30 miles North of the capital, along the last quarter of a mile to the hotel along Capri's five-foot wide arched main street.—Reuter.

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HISTORIC AGREEMENT DISCUSSED IN HOUSE

Mr. Churchill Sounds A Note Of Warning

London, April 28.

Mr. Herbert Morrison, Deputy Prime Minister, today described to Parliament as "historic" the Commonwealth agreement which keeps the future Republican India within the Commonwealth as a full and equal partner.

Mr. Winston Churchill, leader of the Opposition, said he has no doubt whatever that nearly everyone wants India to stay in the Commonwealth, a view which was received with cheers. But there are many questions unanswered and there are possible consequences, some of them potentially adverse, which cannot yet be measured, he said.

Amid cheers, Mr. Churchill declared: "This I say to all my friends: it is the duty of all to try our best to make this now expression of unity of our worldwide association of States and nations a practical and lasting success."

The House of Commons had earlier heard Mr. Morrison read the Commonwealth leaders' declaration. He said it was necessary to make the result of the conference known first to the newspapers to facilitate the simultaneous announcement in all the self-governing countries of the Commonwealth.

"Nevertheless, I think the House would wish to hear the terms of this statement that a decision, which will, I am sure, be regarded as an historic one in the evolution of the Commonwealth, may take its place in the records of the House with the least possible delay."

He suggested that any full discussion of the declaration, if the House so wishes, might more properly be deferred to a later occasion.

"I am having regard to the fact that the leaders of the delegations of the other countries of the Commonwealth are not in a position yet to report personally to their Government or Parliaments."

Mr. Churchill said he is well aware of the difficulties of clock time and sun time throughout the Empire and the Commonwealth of Nations. "I do not say they have been satisfactorily solved on this occasion, which seems to assign to London and Great Britain 2.00 p.m. as the moment of release for an important declaration. This might be a matter of further consideration on future occasions."

But he was glad the declaration had been reported formally to the House. "Any other course would, I think, be derogatory to Parliament and especially to the Mother of Parliaments."

Difficult Questions

Mr. Churchill said: "I am unsignifiedly glad that an impossible gulf has not opened between the new India and the British Empire and Commonwealth, or between our famous past in India and our ambitious present all over the world."

"I cannot feel that either the majority of the Crown or the personal dignity of the King is imperilled by the conditions under which India remains in the Commonwealth. On the contrary, the vital significance and value of the monarchy seem to be enhanced by the way in which the King is acknowledged by the Republic of India and by the latest proofs of its enduring importance to the other Dominions, as testified by their responsible Prime Ministers."

In practice, many difficult questions and dangers remain to be surmounted. "I feel that the tides of the dangers and duties that are shared in common by all of us in these days may well make now harpoons with India and, indeed, with large parts of Asia."

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"Imperialist Triumph For Britain"

Bombay, April 28.
A leading Indian Socialist, Mrs. Asaf Ali, today described the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' agreement as "yet another Imperialist triumph for the so-called Socialist Government of Britain."

Mrs. Ali, a member of the Regional Executive of the Indian Socialist Party, said: "Whenever British guns have failed, the British genius for evolving formulae has come to the rescue of Imperialism." —Reuters.

Pakistan Position Unchanged

London, April 28.
Pakistan's position in the Commonwealth remains unchanged by the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' conference in London, her Prime Minister, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, declared here today.

He said that his country continues to retain full freedom to shape its constitution (in the process of being framed), to continue membership on the existing basis or to substitute full membership on the basis adopted by India or, if it so decided, to go out of the Commonwealth altogether.

One obvious change, he added, is that allegiance to the King no longer constitutes the essential requirement of Commonwealth membership.

The Pakistani Prime Minister emphasised the elastic and dynamic character of the new development in the Commonwealth conception which he described as an important landmark in the process of its development.

"India's unqualified affirmation of her desire to continue as full member of the Commonwealth and her willingness to accept the King as the symbol of association of the free nations of the Commonwealth and, as such, head of the Commonwealth, has enabled the other members of the Commonwealth to accept the continuation of India as a full member of the Commonwealth," he said.

"If, on the whole, we—most of us—feel able to answer the test question in the affirmative and wish to have India associated with us in the future, it is fortunate that the institution of the Monarchy, never more deeply enshrined in the hearts of its proud and willing subjects and citizens all over the world than at present, should not have been a barrier to the inclusion of India as a Republic in the Commonwealth."

Mr. Churchill added that some time ago, when he had some indication of what was afoot, he foresaw some danger that the symbol of the Crown, which had hitherto been a circle of unity, might become an exclusive instrument in respect of India in its new guise. "I am sure it has been very wise to avoid any chance of that," he said.

Mr. Churchill concluded: "I feel that the tides of the world are favourable to our voyage. The pressure of the dangers and duties that are shared in common by us in these days may well make new harmonies with India, and indeed, with large parts of Asia."

Mr. Clement Davies welcomed the declaration on behalf of the Liberals and, amid prolonged Government cheers, congratulated the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, on bringing the Commonwealth leaders together. "I am quite sure his understanding played a very considerable part in bringing about a successful result," he said.

Lords' Welcome

Mr. Morrison expressed the Government's thanks and appreciation for the generally friendly observations of Mr. Churchill and Mr. Davies. "The more in these Commonwealth matters that we can march together in this House the better it will be," he said.

Viscount Hall read the declaration in the House of Lords. Viscount Simon welcomed it on behalf of the Opposition. He hoped that the announced conclusions lead to the reality of unity and co-operation.

The Marquess of Reading, Liberal, described the declaration as most pregnant and far-reaching.

Viscount Hall said the Government is considering whether it is necessary to make any statutory changes. —Reuters.

GENERAL APPROVAL OF COMMONWEALTH PLAN

London, April 28.
The British Government is well satisfied with the reception given by both the public and Parliament to the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' declaration retaining the full and equal Commonwealth membership of the future Republican India.

Lord Pethick Lawrence, former Secretary of State for India and leader of the historic 1946 Cabinet Mission to New Delhi, reflected the view of the great majority of Labour Party supporters in Parliament.

He told Reuters: "The successful issue of the Prime Ministers' conference will bring widespread rejoicing to all members of the Commonwealth. The actual terms of the agreement are as simple in form as they are profound in significance."

"They reflect the greatest credit upon the good sense and ingenuity of the men who devised them. But still more important is the spirit which has promoted them and which will endure long after the events of this week are forgotten."

The leader of the Conservatives, Mr. Winston Churchill, tonight addressed a private meeting on the Commonwealth declaration. Earlier he had told Parliament that it was the duty of all to try to make "this new expression of unity of our worldwide association of States" a practical and lasting success.

The great majority of Conservatives in Parliament are said to be united in wishing to side the new arrangement work, and this will be made plain in my debate.

Some Conservatives backbenchers are understood to have misgivings that the inclusion of a republic in the Commonwealth may produce repercussions in Pakistan and South Africa and lead to the re-opening of Elgar's position.

Speaking in the House of Commons, Mr. Herbert Morrison, Deputy Prime Minister, described the new agreement keeping the future Republican India in the British family of nations as "historic in the evolution of the Commonwealth."

Other big groupings are in the process of being formed, but none of them could possibly take the place and wield the influence which the Commonwealth wields today and is capable of wielding in an emergency."

There is no assurance that the concession to India will keep her in the Commonwealth for long, General Smuts declared.

The temptation implicit in the new declaration might prove too much for those member nations where republican tendencies are already strong and where allegiance to the King is looked on as a sign of subjection, he said. —Reuters.

COMMONS DEBATE ON CHINA

London, April 28.
The Government announced today that the House of Commons will debate next Thursday the entire China situation, including the Communist attacks on British warships. —United Press.

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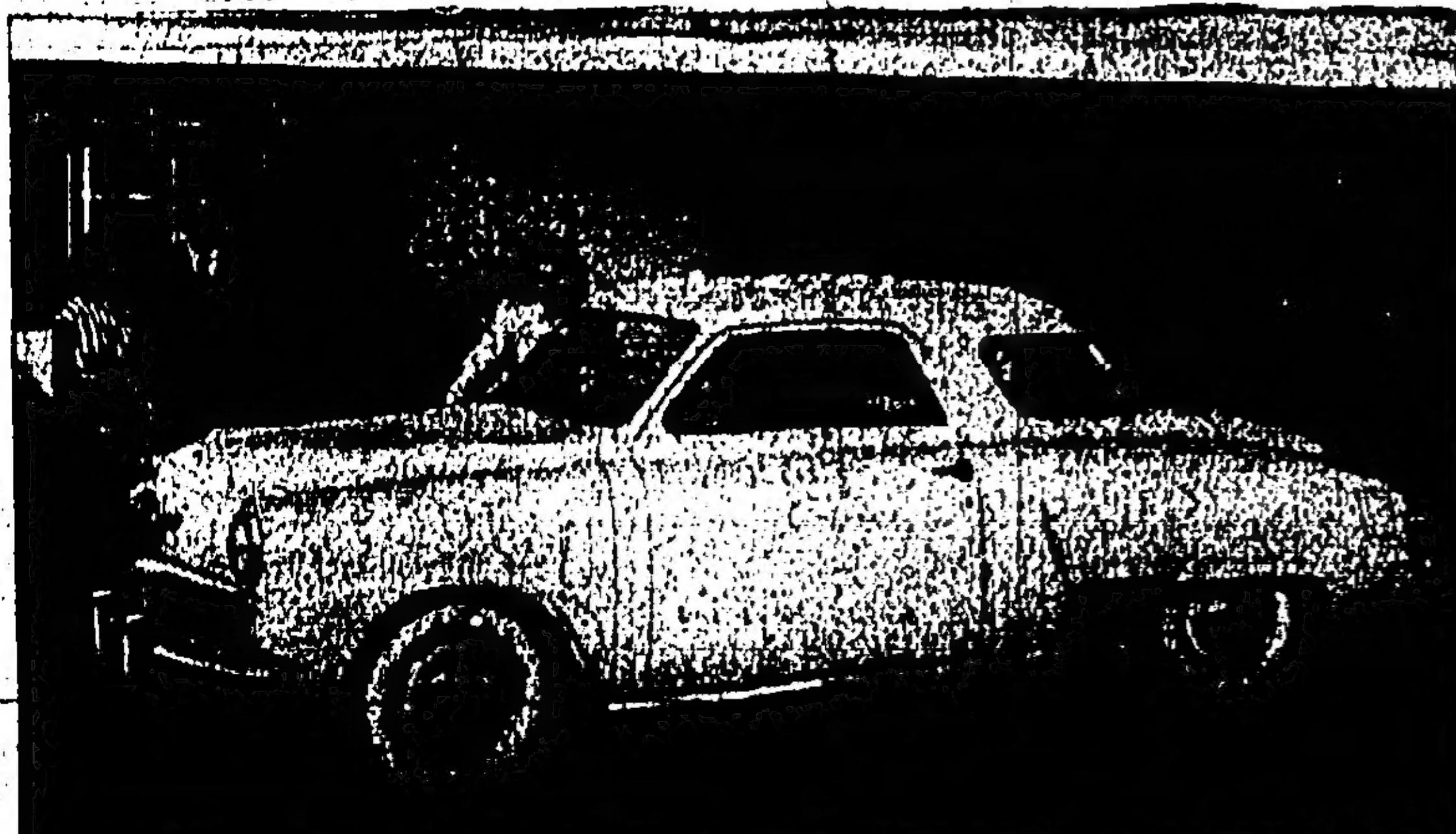


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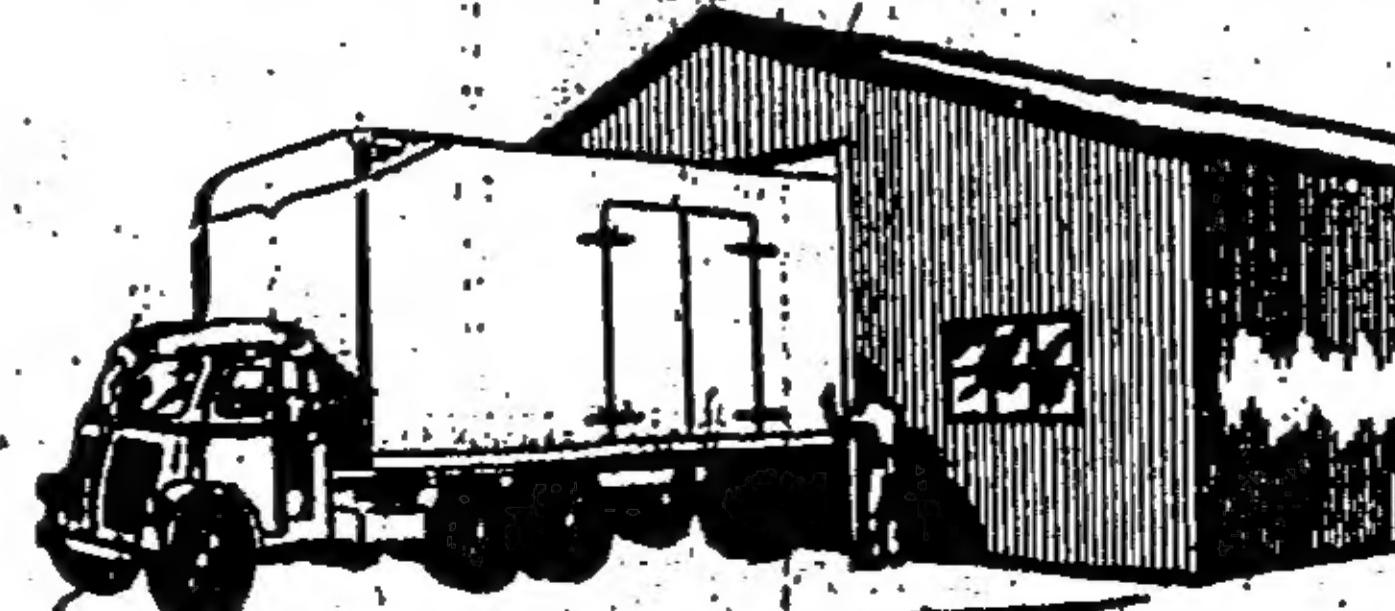
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Sleek Look For Marwyn Racing Car

The Marwyn 500 c.c. racing car, which has shown creditable paces since its introduction late in 1947, appears for the current season in a considerably revised form.

The basic layout remains unchanged but the modifications result in the transformation—and very marked enhancement—of the car's appearance, together with improved braking, engine cooling and, it is expected, general handling.

The basic structure comprises a simple channel section frame with the front wheels independently suspended on single wishbones articulating in conjunction with transverse quarter-elliptic springs, the effect of the latter being equivalent to a full-length athwartships spring.

The tubular rear axle, differential-less, of course, is also carried on quarter-elliptic springs, although in this case they lie in the plane of the frame side members, which converge considerably towards the front of the chassis.

Power Unit

As before, the shock damping is frictional; the power unit is a speedway JAP engine with a compression ratio of 14 to 1 and an output on the right side of 40 b.h.p., while transmission is through a primary and a secondary chain with a four-speed Burman motor cycle gear box interposed.

The column of the Marwyn steering is positioned centrally in the cockpit.

In the new model the wheelbase is increased to seven feet, and the track is markedly crabbed—3ft 11in at the front and 3ft at the rear.

The motor cycle type wheels earlier employed are replaced by three-spoke pressed steel type, carrying 16 by 4.5in tyres. It is hoped shortly to make available special alloy wheels of 15in diameter.

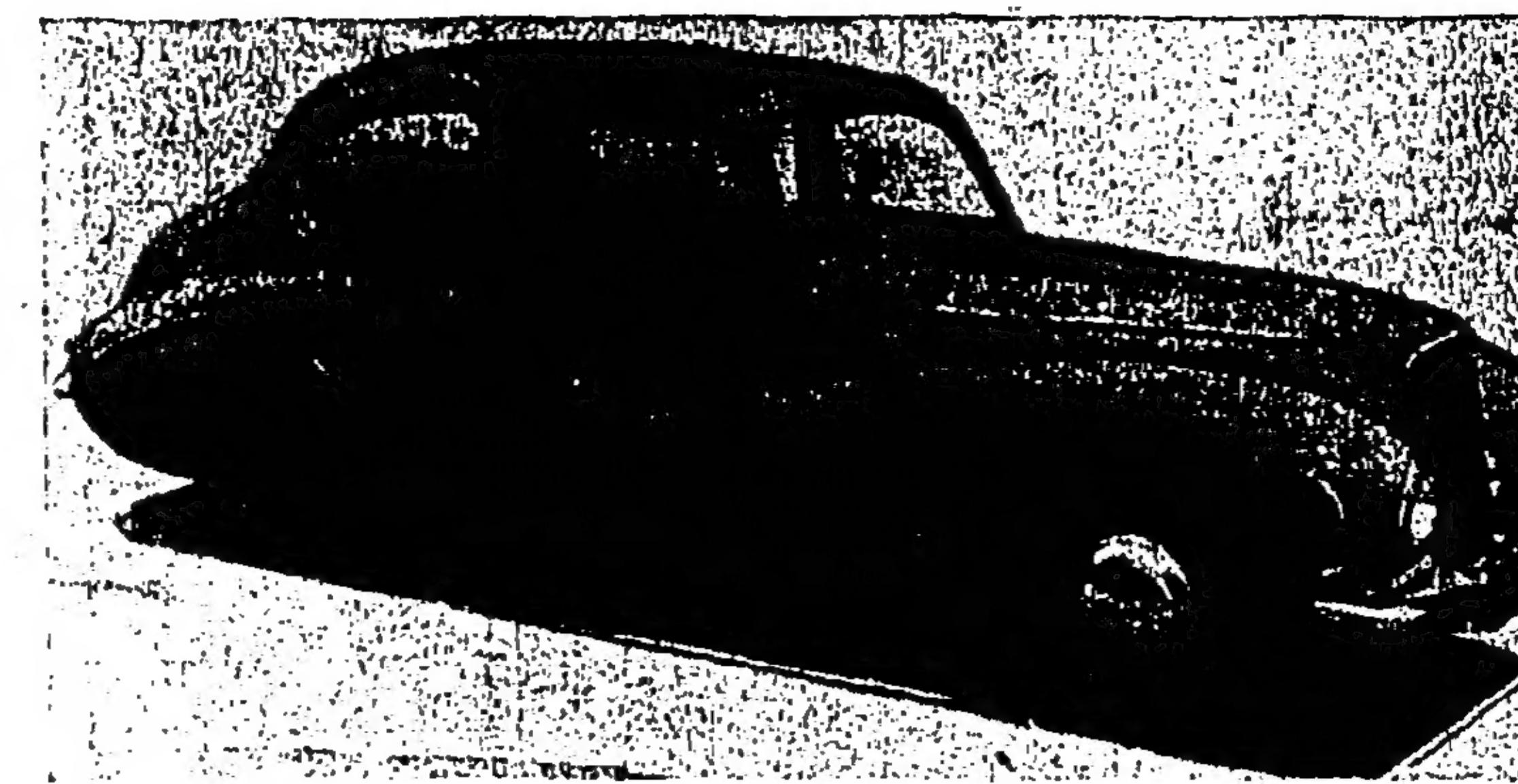
A Lockheed hydraulic braking system, with two-leading shoes at the front and eight-inch drums, supplants the smaller cable-operated brakes.

Squat Nose

With its low squat nose and contrastingly high streamlined head rest—the latter conceals the gravity fuel tank—the body would appear to have good aerodynamic qualities, an unusual feature being the provision at each extremity of mesh-covered vents of roughly matching shape.

The odd point about this is that the tall vent is functional, where as the corresponding one at the front is not, since it has a blank plate immediately behind it. Actually, air for cooling purposes reaches the rear-placed engine through a scoop situated beneath the cockpit and not immediately visible.

From this scoop a special duct directs cooling air to the cylinder



Thoroughly modern styling, extending to partial enclosure of the rear wheels, results in a suggestion, no doubt emphasized by the slimming towards the nose, of eagerness and motion, at all events in some eyes. It is a four-door four-light style of body, with, however, the rearward pair of windows wider than usual.

Attractive Combination In Sunbeam-Talbot Car

In this car, the smaller of the two Sunbeam-Talbot current models, is found a decidedly attractive combination of quite impressive performance, modern appearance, and a variety of features in which very obviously the convenience and comfort of the user have been particularly studied.

Especially in the last-mentioned point it is typical of cars of the Rootes Group in possessing many well-thought-out items of equipment.

These may make no difference to the running of the car, but they do add up to notably increasing the pleasure of ownership and the convenience of everyday motoring.

The 80's performance, particularly in cruising speed and maximum speed, for what the latter point is worth, has handsomely exceeded the standards that might be expected of a car of this engine size.

The overhead valve engine is decidedly lively, as well as most satisfactorily smooth throughout its range, and provides fast, refined travel. Its chassis dimensions and overall size of car the 80 is identical with the 2-litre 90 model, though in some respects, such as gear ratios, there are differences.

It is soon found that response to the throttle pedal is decidedly good, that there is not frequent need for gear changing in town traffic, or on the normal kind of main road gradient, and notably that the cruising speed can be high—around a genuine 60 m.p.h. It is an achievement in this size of engine that it should feel happy at so comparatively high a speed. The Sunbeam-Talbot 80 can, indeed, be held for miles at a stretch at considerably high speeds without showing distress, and without the oil pressure, indicated by a proper gauge, falling off.

The circumstances of the test provided exceptional opportunities of maintaining high speeds, owing to comparative freedom from traffic on the routes traversed, conditions which, of course, are always the ruling factor in leading to average speeds out of the ordinary.

Average Speed

Fortunately placed in this respect, the car averaged 49.5 m.p.h. over two consecutive hours, and on another occasion an average speed exceeding 50 m.p.h. was achieved over some 40 miles of a route that is exceptionally favourable as regards keeping the right foot hard down.

It is a quiet and soothing car for ordinary motoring, as distinct from getting from place to place in the shortest possible time, and the effect of the performance delivered, and also of the style of the car as a whole and of its appointments, is to make one feel that it has a bigger engine than in fact it has.

A quite stiff hill of 1 in 6½ maximum gradient was taken on third and second gears at a speed not falling below about 20 m.p.h.

A separate driving seat, with an easily operated adjustment for height and angle of back rest, as well as the usual fore and aft adjustment, enables a position to be obtained, as liked by many drivers, with a practically vertical back rest giving good support behind a thin-rimmed flexibly spoked driving wheel which is mounted nearly vertically.

The steering column gear lever is well placed for the left hand, and is light and definite in its movements; it would perhaps be better if the lever were sprung loaded from the neutral position towards the top, and third gear range of movement.

There is, however, a positive stop against unintentional engagement of reverse. It is one of the best examples of the now current form of gear change, and the special type of synchromesh used on second, third and top gears proves clash-proof, whilst quick changing can be carried out if desired.

Likewise for the very well arranged driving position is increased

by the hand-brake lever being ideally placed between the separate front seats; thus there are no obstructions to the driver using the near-side door when he chooses.

Also vision is good through the wide, slightly curved windscreen. The right-hand wing can be seen, and the bonnet, falling away slightly towards the front, is not in any way obtrusive, a point which was particularly appreciated in bad fog.

The smaller controls are thoroughly well arranged too, the starter switch in relation to the ignition switch, for instance; the anti-dazzle control is hand-operated at the centre of the steering wheel, as well as the horn and traffic signal.

Comfort View

A driver now accustomed to independent front wheel suspensions would be able to tell, even if the fact had been concealed from him before handling this car, that it had half-elliptic springs all round.

From the comfort point of view the riding is a satisfactory compromise between softness and firmness, and ordinary deteriorations in surface are little noticed; there are occasions when greater lateral firmness would be appreciated for the fast cornering which the car's performance encourages. The steering is light, being fairly low geared, and has marked castor action, but it could possess more automatic sense of direction with advantage, or, in other words, increased self-steering tendencies.

The brakes are the latest Lockheed two-leading-shoe equipment. They slow the car well from speed without heavy pedal pressure being necessary, and come on with really decisive effect for an emergency pull-up at lower speeds when the pedal is depressed fairly hard, but still they are not undesirably fierce in action.

As much as anything external about a car can produce such an impression, the driving position, and in particular the practically ideal mounting of the steering wheel, give a feeling of confidence and of control over the car.

The right foot is comfortable on a treadle type of throttle, and there is a convenient position for the left foot off the clutch pedal, a special rubber-covered rest being provided.

The clutch pedal movement is light, and the clutch action is smooth for starting from rest, which as a demonstration of smoothness, but not necessarily for regular use, can be carried out on the level on second gear. The gears are satisfactorily quiet.

There is good leg room in the rear compartment, as well as in the front for both driver and passenger, and at the rear, a central folding arm rest is provided in addition to elbow rests.

The upholstery is in good quality leather and the whole style of the interior is neat and appealing. The front passenger's window, as well as the driver's, has a quick-action lever control for raising and lowering it. A sliding roof is fitted, but not a rear window blind, and a very satisfactory view behind is given by the driving mirror, which is mounted at the base of the windscreen.

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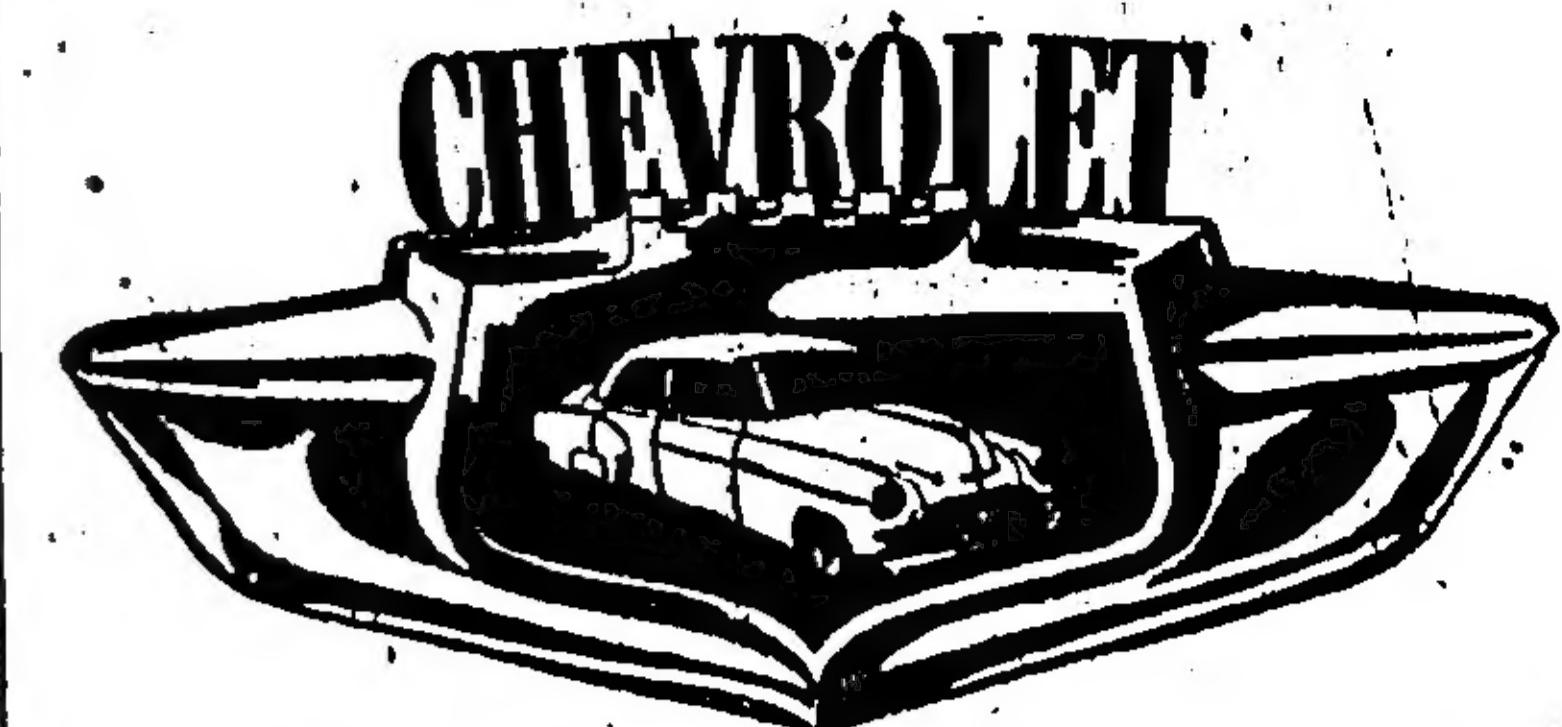
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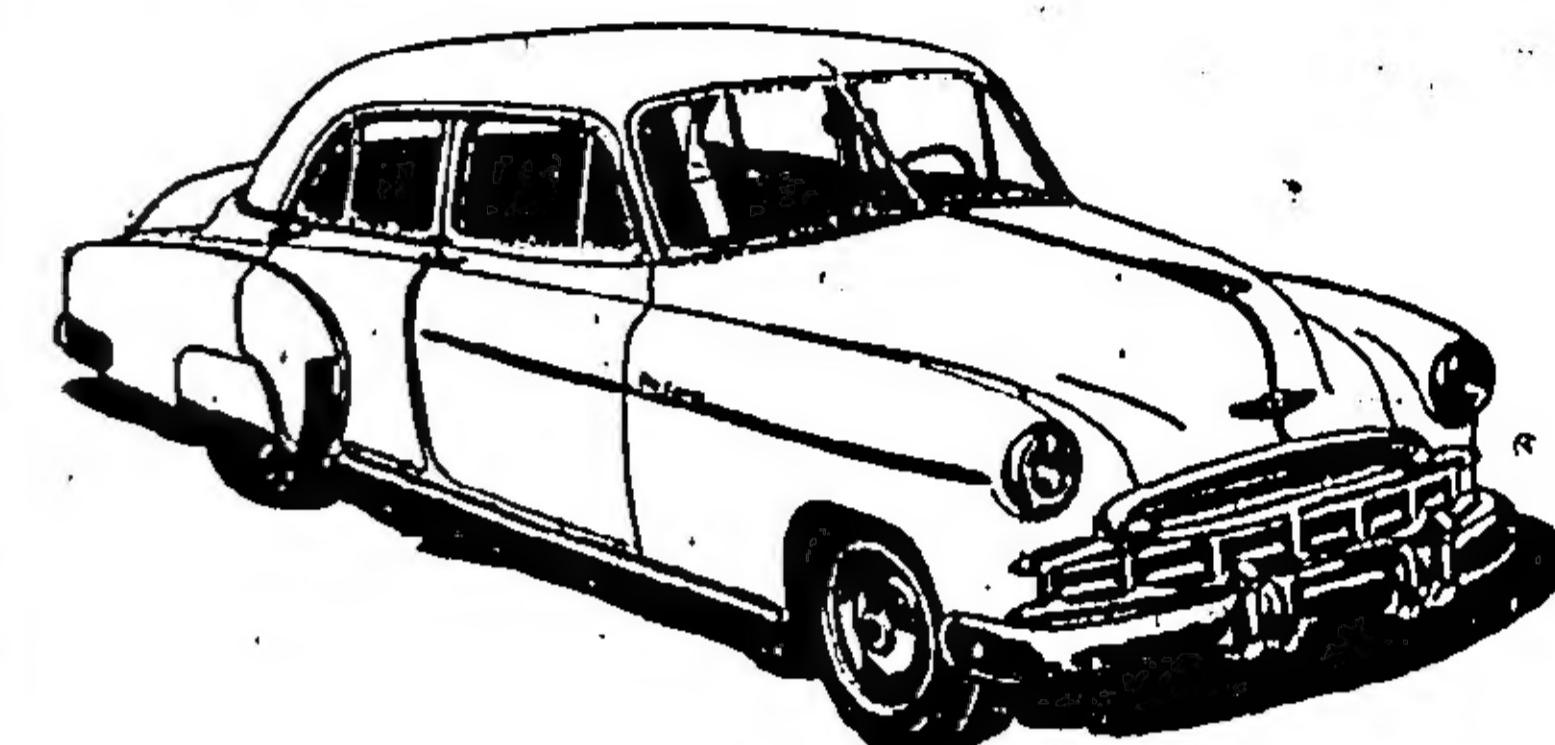
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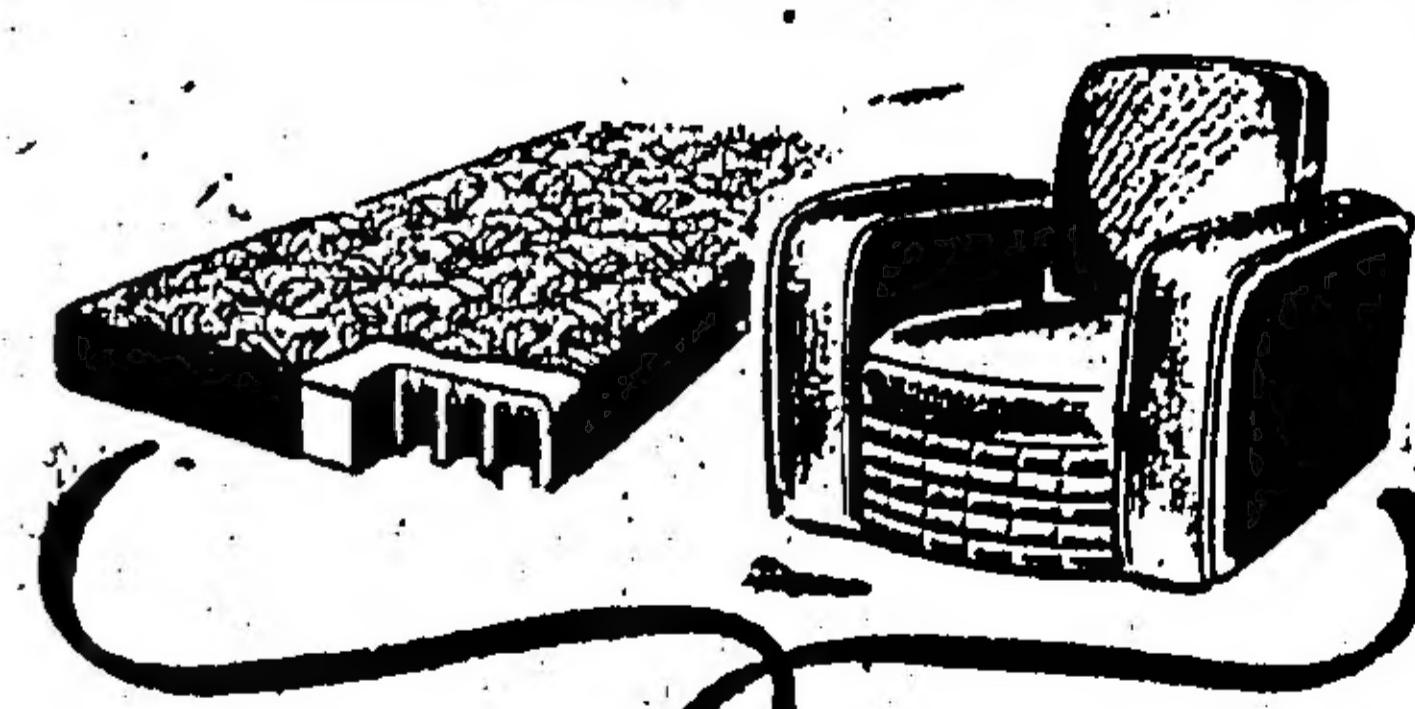
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DEMAND FOR REVIEW OF U.S. CHINA POLICY

Washington, April 29.

Senator Styles Bridges, Republican, talked with President Truman yesterday about the situation in China and then demanded a complete review by Congress of U.S. policy on China.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson and Senator Kenneth Wherry, Republican, also participated in the 30-minute White House talk.

Senator Bridges, an advocate of increased aid to the Chinese Nationalist Government, said he and Senator Wherry were summoned to the White House for the discussion. Both have been critical of the Administration for not giving more aid to the Chinese Nationalist Government.

But he declared that the information given them ought to be made known to more Senators.

Senator Bridges is the senior Republican on the Senate Appropriations Committee.

There are signs that if no other committee acts to order a review of China affairs, Mr. Bridges and Mr. Wherry may call State Department officials for that purpose when the Department's supply bill is brought before the Appropriations Committee.

Senator Bridges called for a Congressional review was made in an interview with reporters.

NATIONAL TB PLAN FOR UK

London, April 28.

A national scheme for vaccinating Britons against tuberculosis will start soon, the Ministry of Health announced.

The vaccine, which has been developed during the past 20 years, will be administered by teams of experts to voluntary patients. It is BCG (bacillus calmette-guerin), named after its inventors, which has been widely used in Scandinavian countries for several years.

The Scandinavians have recorded declines in tuberculosis figures since it has been in use. The British National Health Service emphasises, however, that it is not a cure for the disease. It is a preventive medicine.

Those who have been exposed to the disease, which takes more than 20,000 lives a year in England and Wales and over 3,000 more in Scotland, will be asked to volunteer to take the vaccine.

The programme in Britain is expected to start in the middle of this year.

The National Health Service has set up boards of experts to supervise the vaccinations. Nurses and medical students in hospitals throughout the country will possibly be asked to take the vaccine.

The programme will start at first on a limited scale, and then, as more expert cadres are trained, it will spread out.—Associated Press.

Consular Officials To Stay

Washington, April 28. A State Department spokesman today said that the United States plan to keep consular officials in Communist-occupied China indefinitely to look after American interests. He emphasised that this in no way constitutes recognition of the Chinese Communist regime, either directly or formally.

The spokesman said American consuls have remained all major North Chinese cities taken over by the advancing Communist armies, including Peiping, Tientsin and others. He added: "They will remain to perform their consular function—protection of American interests."

The British are expected to follow the American lead in doing so.—United Press.

German Prince Bed Salesman

Wiesbaden, April 28.

A grandson of the late Kaiser Wilhelm turned up as a bed salesman at Wiesbaden Trade Fair today.

Alexander Ferdinand, aged 27, "Prince of Prussia," has been a businessman since 1945, when he destroyed his property in Dresden.

"We had to live somehow," he explains.

As a salesman, he is exhibiting a folding bed which, he says, is cheap, convenient and just the thing for refugee families in roof-shoot Germany. He also deals in imports and exports of textiles and sends cigarette lighters to South Africa.

The Prince is married and has a son aged nine. United Press.

CHICAGO GRAINS

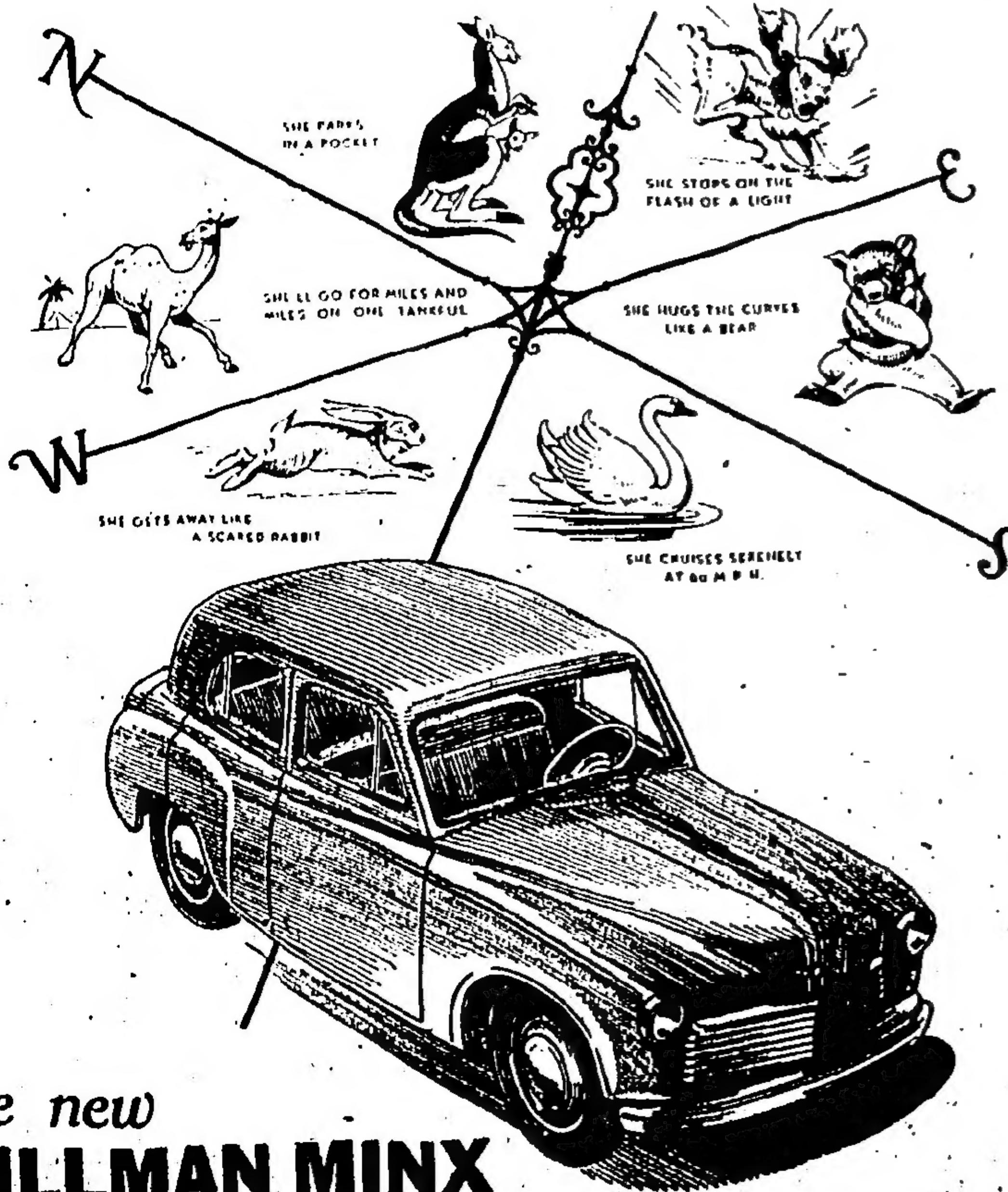
Chicago, April 29.

Grains dropped sharply yesterday. At one time May wheat was off seven cents and May corn four cents. Traders said heavy elevator house sales of May wheat started the break which was speeded by stop-loss orders. Traders said back of the down-turn was the fear that the Government may withdraw next week from the cash wheat market.

Wheat closed 37¢ to 61¢ lower. May \$2.18½-\$2.19; July \$1.92½. September \$1.82½-¾; December \$1.94½-¾.

Corn was two to 3½ lower. May \$1.33½-\$1.34. Oats were 6¢-3½ lower. May 66½-5¢.

Soybeans were 3½-4½ lower. May \$2.22½-\$2.23.—Associated Press.



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S.S. Iuarettania, Thursday.
The passenger shut in Suite 40 and 42 on the main deck is Ernest Bevin.

He spends most of his time in his cabin, and, for the first three days of the voyage never moved outside.

As soon as the New York police b. the shoe-horned him aboard, a. the last gaper had been removed from the corridor, Mr. Bevin locked his door and went to bed.

Officials Barred

He said he was "dog-tired, exhausted," and refused to see high Curzon officials or anyone else.

Not until next day did he come into the fresh air and venture onto the decks.

The Foreign Secretary is a weary but happy man, jubilant over the signing of the Atlantic Pact, buoyed by the success of his mission to the United States.

He is still smarting slightly from the state abuse hurled at him by Zionist pickets, but points out that he thought up better slogans when he was a picket himself.

Today the Foreign Secretary lumbered along the promenade deck shepherded by one Scotland Yard man and three aides, all exquisitely Oxford-toned young men.

He watched table tennis games, said he needed similar exercise to get down his bulk. He was very amiable, and signed a couple of autographs.

He said this was the only n-day he'd had for years.

Dispatch Boxes

Actually it's no holiday. Mr. Bevin's cabin is littered with red leather dispatch boxes and Government papers. He's working hard on report to Parliament.

Mr. Bevin is willing to talk to anyone about anything—but only to him.

He resents questions concerning his health—insists he's fine and good for many years.

His only social relaxation has been drinks with the ship's master, Captain Ivan Thompson.

The Foreign Secretary is returning to England in triumph and knows it. He is confident about peace prospects, astoundingly witty on the subject of some Russians. He has elephantine charm and massive force. The ship (even one or two New York Zionist passengers) likes Bevin. They call him the Big British Bulldog.

Near to Bevin is Gracie Fields and her husband, Monty Banks. Gracie is as sprightly as a firefly and as Lancashire as hot-pot. I've spent a lot of time with her.

Five Homes

Gracie, who loves to be called Grace, says: "Lad, ah'm thinking of retiring. I've got five homes, and allus end up in 'em."

"Me favourite's that at Capri. I want to settle there, lad, and ave a restaurant, but no concerts—nowt like that. Ah'll do t' washing-up."

"Aye, I want to retire, but I probably won't. I've allus been a worrier and am worrying now about new songs and material for this British tour. Theatres, not night-clubs like t' Persian Room at t' Plaza in New York, are my meat."

"British audiences are best—and Lancashire audiences ' best o' t' lot. 'Av another drink, luv."

Gracie is travelling on an Italian passport, although her husband, tubby, generous Monty Banks, who keeps handing out miniature pens and pencil sets as presents, is now an American citizen.

Gracie plans to get back her British citizenship and passport; says: "It's right daff for a Lancashire lass to be travelling under a Wop's passport."

Ideal Weather

It is a pleasant voyage—ideal weather, the sky bright blue, the sea as tranquil as the Serpentine.

We are carrying 900 passengers—not the flashy free-spending overdressed crowd you often see in the Queen Elizabeth and Queen Mary, but solid British types, soft-voiced, well-mannered, and very anxious to get back home.

Even in mid-Atlantic there are signs of the recession. Not many champagne corks pop in the mirrored dining-room. Gambling on the ship's run and even the horse races and bingo games in the main lounge is subdued.

The captain of the Mauretania is a Lancashire man, and I see him often. He is the greatest expert afloat on sport and a passionate Liverpool fan.

When I put in a mild word for Preston North End he reminded me I'd tipped them for the Cup or League championship last year and now they're at the foot of the First Division.

Rationing Talk

Captain Thompson is on a diet. A passenger sent him a book titled "Man Alive, You're Half Dead."

So is my old friend Chief Steward Robert Casadesus, brilliant French pianist who's going to play for us tomorrow. The stage is well represented too. The funny man Nat Hickley, who gets £500 a week, and is better than America's Ray Bolger; Tommy Fields (Gracie's brother); Marianne Lincoln, bright-eyed Friday.

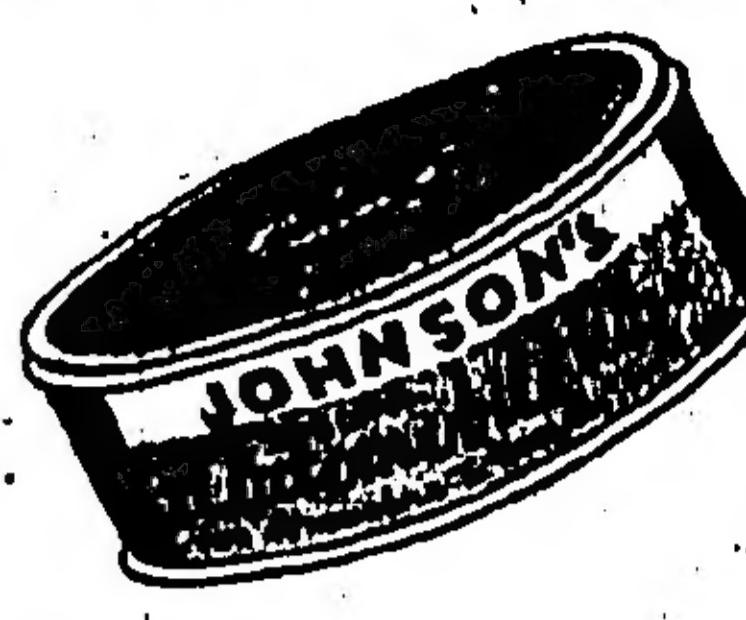
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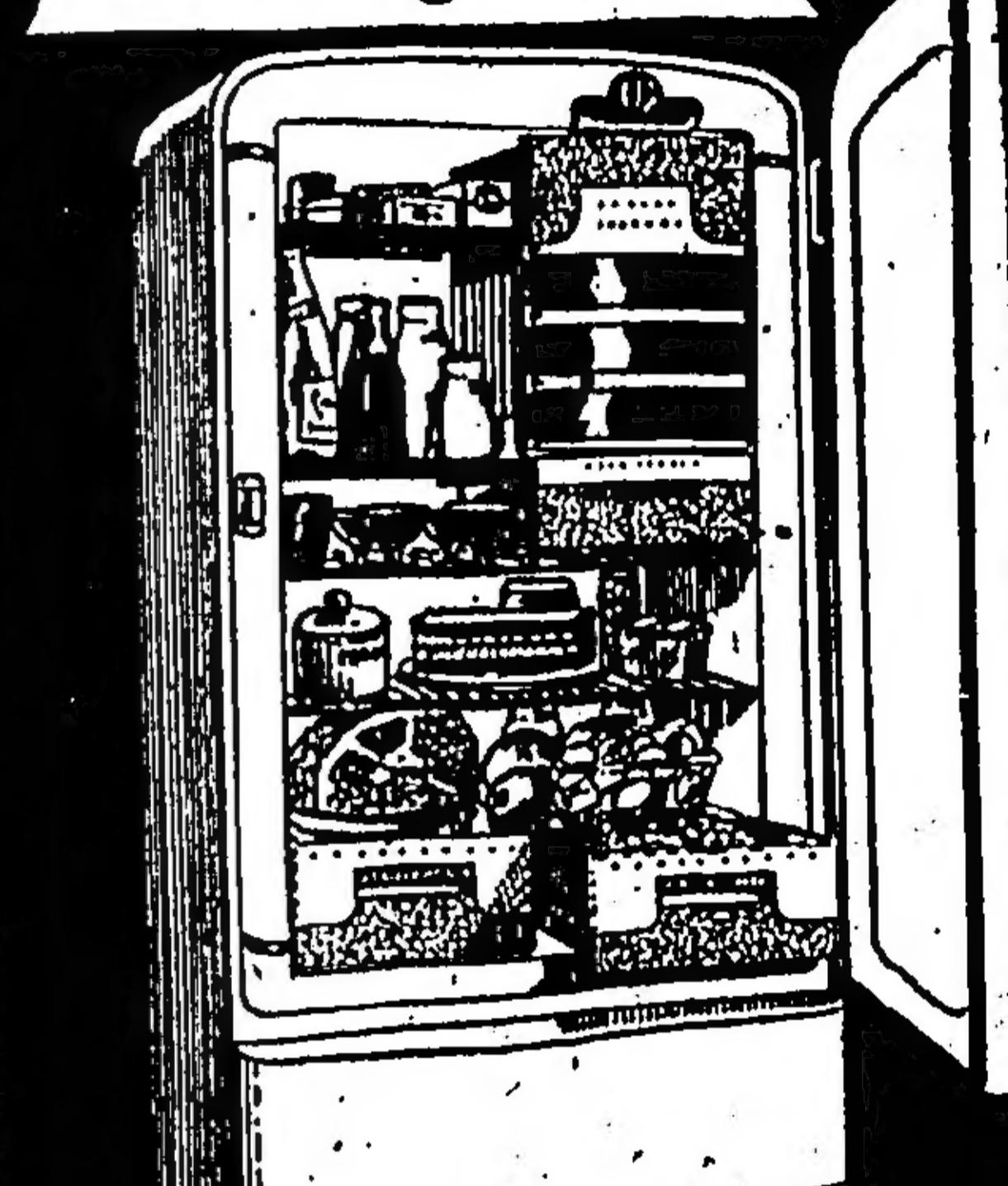
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Iron Curtain Round U.S. China Policy

Washington, April 28.

Senator William Knowland today said that the States Department has erected an iron curtain around United States policy toward China and renewed his demand for speeding the investigation of U.S. foreign policy in the Far East.

Senator Knowland read to the Senate a letter to the Foreign Committee chairman, Senator Tom Connally, in which Mr. Knowland asked for hearings as soon as possible on his resolution to establish a special Senate committee to look into the China situation.

Senator Knowland told Senator Connally: "In view of the situation in China, it does not seem to me that this country can any longer postpone establishment of constructive policy with respect to the Far East."

He also said that to wait until the dust settles likely to result

in the Communist conquest of all Asia.

He added that no member of Congress has seen the report on China made by Mr. Henry Wallace after his 1944 Chinese mission as Vice-President.

He dismissed reports that 80 per cent or more of the military aid the United States has sent to China has fallen into the hands of the Chinese Communists as one example of the loose talk in which the attempt to aid the Government of China has been sabotaged by those who should know better.—United Press.

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"FOOCHEW"	Singapore, Macassar, Sourabaya & Batavia	7 a.m. 8th May
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BALANCE SWINGING TO WORLD PEACE

Washington, April 28.

The growing opposition of the non-Communist world is swinging the balance towards the forces favouring peaceful progress.

The chief United States delegate to the United Nations, Mr. Warren Austin, said this today to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee discussing the Atlantic Pact.

Mr. Austin said the pact is a shield under which United Nations' purposes can be more rapidly achieved in the North Atlantic area.

He certainly did not conceive that the Soviet Union would so brazenly violate the solemn Charter pledge to refrain from the threat or use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of other States," he said.

While most of the world is seeking to build a system of collective security, the Soviet Union seeks security through territorial aggrandizement," he added.

This feudalistic conception of security had thrown its black mantle over country after country in Eastern Europe.

Only decisive action by the United Nations, supported effectively by the United States, had prevented Persia, Greece and Korea from being drawn into the shadows.

A Conflict

Mr. Austin said the increasing unity of the non-Soviet world is being demonstrated in the United Nations. Two years ago, there had been a widespread tendency to regard major differences simply as a conflict of interests between the United States and Russia.

"The actions and the attitude of the Soviet Union inside and outside the United Nations have altered the situation," Mr. Austin said. "Today, most major issues are recognised as a conflict between the Communist areas and the rest of the world."

The United States is assisting in a great co-operative effort because they know that a healthy Europe is a strong force for peace and a vital element in a strong United Nations.

The Republican Doubts

The treaty would not take the place of, or weaken, the United Nations, he added. It would not mean a resumption of the practice of setting up a power equilibrium. It could lift the cause of peace above any level yet attained.

Mr. Austin spoke out as two Republican leaders expressed new doubt about the pact.

Senator Robert Taft and the

Film Company Owner Fined

Mr. T. Y. Lee, owner of the well-known Chinese Yung Hwa Motion Picture Industries, was fined \$75 by Mr. Wickes yesterday for failing to renew his arms licence during a specified period.

Pleading guilty on behalf of defendant, Mr. P. J. Griffiths said that Lee being the owner of such a big and well known enterprise was a very busy man and had to leave the Colony quite frequently.

During his absence he usually asked his manager to take care of everything.

Although the licence was issued in the name of T. Y. Lee the arms were used by guards at the Motion Picture Industries.

Unfortunately, he added, the manager left Hong Kong for Shanghai in the early part of this year without leaving instructions regarding the renewal of the licence.

According to the CNAC crew who brought it from Kwailin, it has a long body like a crocodile and a flat head like a fish.

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SABOTAGE INCREASES IN POLISH INDUSTRY

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The Polish Government claims that all basic industries still are exceeding monthly production targets, but apparently all is not well behind the scenes. Trials of factory directors and managers for "economic sabotage" are becoming more frequent.

Hong Kong Stock Exchange

The Market this week has been the playground of disordered nerves. There are no tangible reasons for the manner in which shares have been dumped in which the bold type of buyer has taken advantage. A fair quantity of the more popular counters has been absorbed, but strictly at the buyers' idea of prices. A general survey of most of today's prices reveals a low level which is not warranted by the current fortunes of the Companies.

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Kowloon Motor Bus are one point ahead of their nearest rivals, Chinese Athletic, with the same number of games played. A win for the busmen tomorrow will assure them of the runners-up position, whereas a draw, provided Chinese Athletic also win their match against Eastern today, will necessitate a play-off.

The best match on the programme this afternoon should be that between St. Joseph's and Royal Navy on the Club Ground at Happy Valley.

The Navy, although fielding practically a new line-up last week, caused a big upset by holding the formidable Chinese Athletic XI to a goal-less draw at Boundary Street.

If the sailors can hold the same team for today's game and the players reproduce the form which they displayed against Athletic, the chances are that they will beat the Saluts.

St. Joseph's performance against South China "A" last Sunday was most disappointing; their forwards, usually most dangerous when within striking distance, failed atrociously. Even Xavier, whose powerful shooting has earned for him wide repute, was guilty of fumbling the most simple of scoring chances.

Chinese Athletic, who will be the guests of Eastern at Carrington Hill, should have no difficulty in taking points from their hosts who have had difficulty in raising a team of late.

Club, who have not been having the best of luck in their two recent matches against Army and Kit Chee, will visit Boundary Street, where they are due to meet Kwong Wah. An easy win for the Club is expected.

Turning to tomorrow's games, there is no doubt that it all roads will lead to Boundary Street, where Kowloon Motor Bus and Kit Chee meet in a "needle match".

The busmen are facing a very stiff hurdle and if they hope to take both points and thus make sure of the runners-up position, they will have to be at their best. Kit Chee have indicated that they will not be granting their opponents any quarter, but will field their strongest team in a bold bid to upset the ambitions of the busmen.

A lot will depend on the ability of the Kit Chee defence to hold the nippy KMB forwards, particularly Tang Yee-kit. In their match against Club on Wednesday, the Kit Chee defenders were not very impressive and unless the weaknesses which were then apparent are tightened, the busmen should just make the grade.

Kit Chee also possess a very virile attack and if it can get into its stride from the start, the KMB defence will have to be on its toes.

All things taken into consideration, this game should prove to be a rousing affair provided, of course, that the players do not allow themselves to be carried away by the occasion and resort to doubtful tactics.

SOCER GAME CANCELLED

Owing to injuries the Club have been obliged to cancel the 2nd Division soccer game with Taikoo on Sunday.

The 1st XI line-up for the game with Kwong Wah at Boundary Street today is now:

Cattan: Fowler, Strange, Walker, Forrow, Beck, Barclay, McRae, Henderson, Kiernan, Baker.

Kick-off: 6.00 p.m.

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Entries For Tennis Leagues

That entries would be invited for seven tennis leagues this year, was decided at the annual general meeting of the Hong Kong Lawn Tennis Association held yesterday in the office of Messrs. Lo and Lo, Alexandra Building.

If sufficient entries are received from Clubs, the minimum being from the leagues to be run Men A, B and C Divisions for Men A and B Divisions for Mixed, and A and B for Ladies.

Entries will close on May 10, and the first league games will be played on May 24.

In the absence of Mr. H. Owen-Hughes, who is away on leave, Mr. Lo Man-wai, the Vice-President, took the chair.

Minutes of the last General Meeting and Report and Accounts for the year were unanimously accepted.

The following were elected office-bearers for the coming years:

President: Mr. H. Owen-Hughes (re-elected).

Vice-President: Mr. Daniel Chan

Hon. Secretary: Mr. Ho Ku-lau (re-elected)

Hon. Treasurer: Mr. G. A. Noronha (re-elected)

Committee: Mr. J. W. Leonard (re-elected)

Mr. O. R. Sadick (re-elected)

Mr. E. A. J. Hancock

It was decided that seven leagues as mentioned be run this year, if there are sufficient entries.

Proposed by Mr. H. A. Noronha and seconded by Mr. O. R. Sadick, the motion "that where a Club should enter two or more teams in the same division, those teams should be considered as opponents and their players should not be interchangeable" was adopted.

The meeting also passed a resolution that Clubs affiliated to the Association will beginning this year pay an annual affiliation fee of \$20 each.

A suggestion was made by Mr. H. A. Noronha that should a Club have hard and grass courts, it should at the beginning of the league season nominate the type of court it will use throughout the league. This was carried by the meeting.

Mr. Capell brought up the question of clubs postponing their league matches due to their inability of raising their teams. He said under the Rules, postponements are only allowed on account of bad weather. The meeting decided that Club should in future adhere strictly to this rule.

At the conclusion of the meeting, an unanimous vote of thanks to the Acting Chairman Mr. Lo Man-wai for presiding at the meeting and use of his office, was passed.

Present were Capt. R. F. Crichton (HGF), A. J. Doyle (RAP) (KCC), A. V. White (KCC), E. J. D. Mackie (HKCC), D. P. Cooper (LRC), R. S. Capell, A. J. Hancock (USRC), Lee Wai-tung (CRC), O. R. Sadick (IRC), Tony Gammon (Braves) 14, 20, 384, Eric Leon (Jaguars) 14, 47, 17, 362.

The Oilers started off with a three run spurge when Kitcheclotted a single while Gutierrez walked. Bill "Two-ton" Howard then smacked a rousing two bagger for two markers and dented the rubber when Dick Silva poled out at a safety.

The Eagles replied with a lone tally and were blanked in the next frame while Shell added two more runs.

Shell's hitting power came to the fore again in the third when our runs crossed the plate on timely hits by Tony Mend and Chappie Remedios. The fifth and sixth were "big innings" for the Oilers as they batted around in both innings to chalk up 10 runs, featuring distance clouts by Spiky Gutierrez, Chappie Remedios and Hall Winkles.

The highlight of the evening will be the presentation when successful contestants in the various team series will receive Floating Shields and individual members of the team will receive souvenir medals. The MVP and Batting champs in the three loops will be awarded individual "Oscars".

Prize-Winners

The following are season's prize-winners:

JUNIOR LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

Canadians: Keira, Nataraj, Luke, Dunn, Bill Woo, A.K., "Taran" Ismail, A.L., "Junior" Marak, A.H. Barker, H. Hussain, G.C., "Mickey" Lai, Herbie Qualls, Johnnie Delgado, W.S., Inc., George George Lin (Kowloon Tong), Albert Chan (South China), H. A. Noronha (Recreo), D. M. A. Razack (IRC), J. W. Leonard (Acting-Chairman), Ho Ku-lau (Secretary), G. A. Noronha (Treasurer).

SENIOR DIVISION

Talkin' v. Club, Carrington Hill, 4.30 p.m.; Referee: P.A. Fetter.

CAP v. Army-HK, Army "V", 4.30 p.m.; Referee: Lai Duen-poo.

St. Joseph's v. South China Club, 4.30 p.m.; Referee: A.E.P. Guest.

TOMORROW

FIRST DIVISION

KMH v. Kit Chee, Boundary Street, 6.00 p.m.; Referee: Capt. Chanlalai, Lineamen: W. Gibson and R. Richardson.

South China "A" v. Police, Boundary Street, 6.00 p.m.; Referee: R.M. Omar, Lineamen: E.A. Barretto and B.Y. Kwok.

RAF v. South China "A"; Rockimpone, 6 p.m.; Referee: Capt. Stone; Lineamen: Pte. Collins and Sgt. Manson.

Army (byes).

SECOND DIVISION

Talkin' v. Club, Carrington Hill, 4.30 p.m.; Referee: P.A. Fetter.

Trans. v. Eastern; WD Chines v. Bollard's, 4.30 p.m.; Referee: Pte. Collins.

KMH v. Eastern; WD Chines v. Bollard's, and University v. Dockyard, cancelled.

SCHOOL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

SUNDAY, MAY 1, 1949

Senior Division

La Salle vs. Queen's, Club grd. 11.00 a.m.

JUNIOR DIVISION

Wantsu (pm) vs. Wah Ying, St. Joseph's 10.00 a.m.

A-Chinese (pm) vs. Wantsu (am); St. Joseph's, 11.00 a.m.

A-Chinese (pm) vs. Queen's Club, 10.00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 1949

Senior Division

Queen's vs. Diocesan, Caroline Hill, 4.00 p.m.

Ying Wah vs. Wah Ying, Army, 4.00 p.m.

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Senior Division

La Salle vs. St. Joseph's, St. Joseph's, 4.00 p.m.

Referees will be appointed by Captain J. Chishell S.O. PT.

TEeing OFF TIMES

OLD COURSE: SUNDAY, MAY 1.

9.30 a.m. J.D. Mackie v. J. Matheson

9.30 a.m. G.H. Gardner v. A.E. Lissaman

9.30 a.m. T. Lovell v. H.G. Gardner

9.30 a.m. J. Purdie v. G. Stewart

10.00 a.m. J. G. Cowperthwaite, E.R. Mackay

10.00 a.m. J.B. Mackie v. H.W. Heath

10.00 a.m. K.A. Mason v. J. Linaker

10.00 a.m. B. Drakos v. J.D. Clancy

10.15 a.m. J. A. Austin, R.C. G. Macrae

10.15 a.m. M. Shattock v. J.J. Macrae

10.30 a.m. A. Duffy v. L.J. Wright

10.30 a.m. G.M. Friesen v. G. Woolhouse

BASKETBALL

Following are the results of basketball games played at the Chinese YMCA:

Wah Yan 78, CAA, 27

Iu Choy 71, Fong Lam 78

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BATTING AWARDS

C.A. "Spiky" Gutierrez—MacLeods (Senior League); Dolly Brown—White (Junior League); Alice MacLeods—Colgate (Junior League); Nelson Bous—Jaguars (Junior League).

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